

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE CLUB

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 17, 1944

The meeting was called to order by President Levine at 3:30 p.m. in the Members Room of The New York Botanical Garden Museum. Twenty-two members and guests were present.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were approved as read. Four persons were unanimously elected to annual membership and three to associate membership.

The first speaker on the scientific program was Dr. A. B. Stout who spoke on the "Loss of Incompatibilities in Tetraploid Petunias." Dr. Stout displayed several of the *Petunia* plants studied. His paper is published in this number of *TORREYA*, pp. 45-51.

Professor M. A. Johnson of Rutgers University was the second speaker. His talk "On the Structure of the Shoot Apex in Cycads" was illustrated with lantern slides. It also is published in this number of *TORREYA*, pp. 52-58.

Following the discussion of Professor Johnson's paper, the meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. Tea was then served.

Respectfully submitted,

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OCTOBER 3, 1944

The meeting was called to order by the Vice-President, Dr. Seaver, at 8:15 p.m. at the Brooklyn Botanic Garden. Twenty-nine members and friends were present. The minutes of the preceding meeting were accepted as read. Twenty annual members and six associate members were unanimously elected.

Dr. Karling introduced the question of the motion which had been recommended by the Council to the Club for consideration. The motion was "... that the Council recommend to the Club that *TORREYA* be merged with the *BULLETIN* beginning with the next volume, that it keep its own name and contents separate within the *BULLETIN*, enlarging the editorial staff of the *BULLETIN* to include members now present on *TORREYA*, and that subscribers to *BULLETIN* be charged seven dollars in the event that this merger takes place." In the discussion from the floor, questions were raised as to the availability of reprints for persons keeping bound sets, the economy of merging the two publications, the availability of material to warrant keeping *TORREYA* a separate publication, the maintenance of the policy of publishing material which has a more popular appeal than that published in the *BULLETIN*, and finally as to the reason for the increase of one dollar in the rate to subscribers. It was moved by Dr. Zimmerman that the Club adopt the recommendation of the Council, that *TORREYA* and

BULLETIN be merged. Dr. Karling seconded the motion. The motion was defeated by a vote of 8 to 7.

Dr. Graves announced the death of Dr. H. M. Denslow. Dr. Denslow was the last of the charter members of the Club. He died during the summer at the age of 94.

The scientific program of the evening consisted of reports on summer activities by Club members. Dr. Small reported that the trips in the summer field schedule were well attended and quite successful. He paid tribute to the various leaders of the trips. Mr. Ericson told of finding two plants of western origin in Tottenville, Staten Island. Dr. Svenson spoke about the bogs he had visited in northern Pennsylvania. Dr. M. A. Johnson reported finding *Aristolochia* in New Jersey. A fungus parasite on *Pachysandra* was reported by Dr. Seaver.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. so that the members of the Club might enjoy refreshments with their informal discussions.

Respectfully submitted,

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